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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application Serial No. 08/657,749
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Inventors: James G. METZ *et al.*
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Sir:

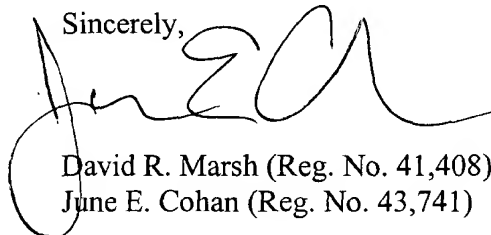
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